

HART COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 1, 2015

Station 1

6:30 P.M.

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The Hart County Fire Board met for a regularly scheduled meeting on June 1st at Station 1 beginning at 6:30 pm. Fire Board members present were:

Charlie Pierce- Station 1
Don Styles- Station 4
Mike Bailey- Station 5
Mike Milford- Station 6
Jim Reese- Station 7
Ryan Ray- Station 9
Chief Jerry Byrum

Firefighters present were: Jason Roach, Jason Haley, Dustin Carruth, Scott Bailey, and Tony Wicker.

Assistant Chairman Charlie Pierce ran the meeting in Chairman Marshall Norton's absence.

Mike Milford made the motion to approve the agenda. Ryan Ray seconded the motion; motion carried with no opposition.

Mike Milford made the motion to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2015 meeting. Mike Bailey seconded the motion; motion carried with no opposition.

Station Reports:

Station 1- Reported the need for nine new sets of turnout gear. Expressed concern for immediate maintenance on the exterior of the building.

Station 2- None.

Station 3- None.

Station 4- Nothing to report.

Station 5- Requested seven new sets of turnout gear. Inquired about hydrants in the Airline community, and when the pump station would be complete. Chief Byrum reported that it should be up and running by fall of 2015.

Station 6- Reported they are waiting on turnout gear count, and they will conduct firework duty for the Pre 4th Extravaganza.

Station 7- Reported their remodel is near completion.

Station 8- None.

Station 9- Requested their front yard light be repaired as soon as possible.

Chief's Report:

- Reed Creek Tanker 21 is still out of service. Chief is entertaining options to get the tanker back in service as soon as possible. The best option may be to find a mechanical engineer to design a tank /cradle/chassis. If this is the case, a business has offered to do the work at a discounted rate.
- ISO Update- Processing from the state is anticipated to take 6-8 months due to backlogs, which is longer than the expected 2-3 months.
- Radio Update- Radios were discussed in depth, and channels were decided for each station. Motion to approve radio channels was made by Mike Milford, and seconded by Charlie Pierce. Motion carried with no opposition. Radio SOG's were discussed, and Chief said that he would work on creating SOG's.
- Turnout gear counts were discussed. Each station was allotted five sets of gear; if gear is not needed, it can be requested by other stations.
- Each station is getting a backup generator to be hard wired in to the breaker box. It was recommended that a pad be poured and bolts be used to anchor the generators for security and stability purposes.
- \$15,000 is budgeted for pagers/radios. Recommendations were made from the Board to entertain Kenwood Radios, due to cost and a recommendation made by Jason Haley.
- Computer systems are almost up and going at each station.

FY 2015-2016 Budget Review: Chief Byrum gave a thorough review of the budget.

No new business.

Public comment:

Dustin Carruth (Station 1) discussed Station 1's use of e-dispatch, and reported that it was well received amongst the station.

Ryan Ray (Station 9) discussed Public Service Day. It will be held either the first or second weekend in October. Location is yet to be determined, but it was recommended by Ryan that it be held at the same location as last year.

Mike Bailey made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mike Milford seconded. No opposition.

The next Fire Board meeting will be held on August 3rd.